ATTORNEY GENERAL BILL LOCKYER RELEASES TOTAL NUMBER OF SLOT MACHINES IN USE BY COMPACTED INDIAN GAMING TRIBES

(Sacramento) – Attorney General Bill Lockyer today released the results of a slot machine census conducted by the California Department of Justice's Division of Gambling Control (DGC).

Last year, Governor Gray Davis signed gaming compacts with 62 separate Indian Nations authorizing specified forms of gambling, including the use of slot machines. Prior to the May 15, 2000 effective date of these compacts, the tribes had a total of 19,137 slot machines in operation at their casinos. Over the last several weeks, agents from the DGC conducted a census of the state's 39 compacted tribes with gaming facilities currently in operation and determined that there are 25,196 slot machines currently in operation on Indian lands. (See attached list.)

Last year, the tribes conducted a "draw" for the rights to additional slot machines which, consistent with the terms of the compact, will result in a modest increase in the total number of machines in operation in California. The Attorney General noted, however, that the number of slot machines currently in use is significantly less than the total number of slot machines authorized under the terms of the Tribal-State Gaming Compacts.

The DGC, in its capacity as the State Gaming Agency pursuant to the compacts, is responsible for the investigation of the qualification of financial backers, vendors and key employees at tribal casinos within the geographical boundaries of the state. The DGC is also responsible for ensuring compliance with the terms of the compacts in the regulation of Class III gaming by reporting its findings and making recommendations to the Gambling Control Commission.

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Gaming Devices			
Tribal/Commission Name	Number of Devices Prior to May 15, 2000	Total Devices in Commercial Operation January 23, 2001	
Agua Caliente	1153	903	
Alturas Rancheria	54	60	
Augustine	0	N/A	
Barona	1057	1,432	
Big Sandy Rancheria	239	329	
Big Valley Rancheria	353	329	
Bishop Paiute	273	303	
Blue Lake Rancheria	0	N/A	
Buena Vista Rancheria	0	N/A	
Cabazon	741	901	
Cahto Tribe, Laytonville	125	93	
Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians	207	228	
Campo Band of Mission Indians	0	N/A	
Chemehuevi Indian Tribe	100	95	
Chicken Ranch Rancheria	224	251	
Chuckchansi/Picayune	0	N/A	
Coast Indian Community	199	0	
Colusa Indian Comm	523	488	
Dry Creek Rancheria	0	N/A	
Elem Indian Colony	0	N/A	
Elk Valley Rancheria	167	272	
Ewiiaapaayp Tribe	0	N/A	
Hoopa Valley	85	85	
Hopland	307	307	
Jackson Rancheria	435	538	
Jamul Indian Village	0	N/A	
LaJolla Indian Reservation	0	N/A	
Manchester Point Arena	0	N/A	
Manzanita Band	0	N/A	
Middletown Rancheria	167	469	
Mooretown Rancheria	500	497	
Morongo	1627	1901	
Pala	0	N/A	

Tribal/Commission Name	Number of Devices Prior to May 15, 2000	Total Devices in Commercial Operation January 23, 2001
Paskenta Bd of Nomlaki Indians	0	N/A
Pauma	0	N/A
Pechanga	1333	1921
Pit River	129	124
Quechan Indian Nation	0	N/A
Redding Rancheria	401	510
Rincon San Luiseno	0	759
Robinson Rancheria	380	436
Rohnerville Rancheria	0	N/A
Rumsey Indian Rancheria	416	633
San Manuel Tribal Comm.	974	962
San Pasqual	0	N/A
Santa Rosa Rancheria	472	1866
Santa Ynez	760	874
Sherwood Valley	127	222
Shingle Springs Rancheria	0	N/A
Smith River Rancheria	232	198
Soboba	991	1364
Susanville Indian Rancheria	150	102
Sycuan	519	350
Table Mountain Rancheria	835	975
Trinidad Rancheria	196	321
Tule River	408	556
Tuolumne Me-Wuk	0	N/A
Twenty-Nine Palms	740	993
Tyme Maidu Tribe/Berry Creek	406	549
United Auburn	0	N/A
Viejas	1132	2000
Yurok	0	N/A
Total	19137	25196